

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 4, 2018



Dear parishioners,

I have three things on my mind.

Ruth Badertscher's death reminds me of the history of our parish—founded by the local Catholic families and kept vibrant for many years by those families and their descendants. We are lucky to still have third and fourth generation members of those families as part of St. Mary's to remind us of those courageous, flexible, faithful, committed folks who brought St. Mary's into being. For me they have always been a kind of invisible glue that keeps us connected to our vibrant beginnings. I hope all those traits move the people who are St. Mary's into the future.

Our memorial service and reception today remind me that Cliff Davis, Dr. James Avila, Greg Kiene, and Louise Hankish were each a light in the world in their own unique way. It's good to be grateful for them one more time and to remember the good they did in their lifetimes. It's good for us also to be reminded that we also want to be remembered for being a light to the world and to see how we are doing with that.

Finally, the horrendous act of violence and hate committed at Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh is one more act that cries to God for mercy. It is a grim reminder of how seriously we must work for respect for every single person. Our differences cannot turn to ridicule and belittling, to hate and violence. Christ came to bring love and peace to the world and now his mission is our mission.

Sister Carol

**We extend our sympathy** to the extended family of Ruth Badertscher. May she rest in peace.

## Weekend Masses

Sat Nov 3	4:00 p.m.	Jim Badertscher Mike Giovinazzo
Sun Nov 4	10:00 a.m.	Jan Schulte
Sat Nov 10	4:00 p.m.	Ed Murphy
Sun Nov 11	10:00 a.m.	Gene Badertscher Imajeon Mathewson

## Communion Services

Wed Nov 7	10:30 a.m.	Hilty
Fri Nov 9	8:00 a.m.	St. Mary's

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

Adults	\$3,459.00	Loose \$1,003.00
Children	\$31.75	Total \$4,493.75

83 envelopes returned = 40%

*Thank you for your generosity!*

*Thank you also to those who give electronically!!*

## Assignments for November 10 & 11, 2018

**Money Counters:** Deb Buck and Deb Goldenetz

### 4:00 p.m.

**Greeter:** Jan and Diana Emmert  
**Cantor:** Jenny Roby  
**Ushers:** Dave and Shirley Siefker  
**Lector:** Jason Swartzlander  
**E.M.:** Jerry Wehri, Jeanne Parinello, and  
Amanda Woolley  
**Servers:** Derek Swartzlander, Eli Jones,  
Shylee Kaufman

### 10:00 a.m.

**Greeter-East door:** Sherry Heitmeyer  
**Greeter-West Door:** Mel Heitmeyer  
**Cantor:** Becca Schlumbohm  
**Ushers:** Hank and Carol Schroeder  
**Lectors:** Joe Herrmann and Matt Ellerbrock  
**E.M.:** Mark Zwiebel, Tricia Herrmann,  
Larry Hoffman, Crystal Ellerbrock,  
Candace Meyer  
**Servers:** Grace Yarnell, Ethan Hoffman,  
Evan Grothause

## **Readings for November 11, 2018**

### **32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28

Gospel Reading: Mark 12:38-44

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## Remember to vote on Tuesday!!

The **Pastoral Council** will meet Tuesday evening, November 6, at 7:00 o'clock, in the library. Please come prepared to discuss Chapter 2 "Forgiveness" of Heaven Starts Now.

The diocesan **R U Called?** Dinner is here at St. Mary's on Thursday, November 8, from 6:00 until 8:30. This is a vocation learning experience of seniors and young men and women aged 18-35. Come here from some "locals" who are pursuing their vocations.

### Project Rachel Hosts "Hope and Healing Weekend" Retreat-Nov. 16-18

This weekend retreat is for women who have already begun the journey of healing from abortion and seek a deeper and closer relationship with God. The retreat begins Nov. 16 at 6:30 p.m. at Our Lady of the Pines Retreat Center, 1250 Tiffin St., Fremont, Ohio. The retreat will end Sunday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. Space is limited.

The registration fee is \$150 (\$170 after Nov 10) and includes 2 nights individual room, all meals/snacks and retreat materials. \$50 deposit (to be sent in with registration form)/\$100 remaining due by Nov. 10.

For information and confidential reservations, contact Clarissa Lapinski at 1-888-456-HOPE; or email [projectrachel@toledodiocese.org](mailto:projectrachel@toledodiocese.org).

**Sts. Peter and Paul Parish in Ottawa** is having its annual **FALL FESTIVAL** today, Sunday, November 4, 2018. Chicken and Roast Beef dinners will be served FAMILY STYLE from 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Carry out dinners are available. Adults cost \$9.00 and children under 12 cost \$5.00. Other features include: Country store with crafts, baked goods, holiday items, games and raffles. Please join us for some good food and fun.

**Bluffton University Nutrition Association (BUNA)** will hold its annual **Harvest Dinner**, benefiting the Bluffton Community Assistance Corporation and the Churches United Pantry in Lima, from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 16, at the Bluffton Middle School cafeteria, 102 S. Jackson St., Bluffton. This year's dinner will

feature a farm-to-table concept with much of the produce coming from a garden maintained by dietetics faculty and students. The menu will feature Swiss chard potato gnocchi, homemade spaghetti sauce, roasted vegetables, whipped acorn squash and rolls with watermelon jelly. Desserts include peanut butter pie, caramel apple pecan cake and chocolate ganache cupcakes with coffee buttercream. Many Bluffton students are serving as volunteers with the meal.

It's Sharathon time! Keep Catholic Radio going strong by supporting **Annunciation Radio** during the Fall Sharathon **November 27-30**. During these 4 days, Sharathon hosts will interview many of our local priests, deacons, and other special guests who will share their enthusiasm for Catholic radio. Tune to your local Annunciation Radio station and call toll-free **1-888-215-0624** between 7am and 6pm. You can also donate securely online at [www.annunciationradio.com](http://www.annunciationradio.com). Your support is needed to help keep Catholic radio on the air here in NW Ohio. STATIONS: 89.7 WNOG Toledo, 88.1 WHRQ Sandusky, 89.9 WRRO Bryan, 89.5 WFOT Mansfield, 90.9 WSHB Willard.

## P.R.E.P

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** is during the 10 o'clock Mass.

**K-6:** Class is Wednesday, November 7th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Mass is at 7:00 p.m.

**Jr Hi** Class is today, Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

**We are still in need of walkers** for Bluffton Schools Weekly Christian Education on multiple Tuesdays. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex on the counter.

### God Squad--High School Youth Group

The next God Squad activities will be today, Sunday, November 4. The next regular gathering will be Sunday, November 18.